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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the authority of M.G.L. c. 118E and in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, a public hearing will be held on Friday, April 28, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., in Conference Room 6112 on the Sixth Floor, 100 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA, relative to the proposed adoption of amendments to:

101 CMR 346.00: Rates for Certain Substance-Related and Addictive Disorders Programs

M.G.L. Chapter 118E, § 13D, requires EOHHS to establish by regulation and biennially determine the rates to be paid by governmental units for social service programs. In accordance with this statutory requirement, the proposed amendments to 101 CMR 346.00 establish the rates to be paid by governmental units for certain substance-related and addictive disorder programs. Social service programs with rates to be established by the amendments to this regulation include the following: Office-based Opioid Treatment Programs, Federally Qualified Health Centers Wraparound Services, and Triage, Engagement, and Assessments Services, purchased by the Department of Public Health (DPH).

The proposed amended regulation is planned to go into effect no sooner than July 1, 2017. There is no fiscal impact on cities and towns.

Individuals who notify EOHHS of their intent to testify at the hearing will be afforded an earlier opportunity to speak. Speakers may notify EOHHS of their intention to testify at the hearing by registering online at www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regs/hhs/public-hearings.html. Individuals may also submit written testimony by e-mailing ehs-regulations@state.ma.us.. Please submit electronic testimony as an attached Word document or as text within the body of the e-mail with the name of the regulation in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender's full name, mailing address, and organization or affiliation, if any. Individuals who are unable to submit testimony by e-mail should mail written testimony to EOHHS, c/o D. Briggs, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. Written testimony must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 5, 2017.

All persons desiring to review the current draft of the proposed actions may go to www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/laws-regs/hhs/public-hearings.html or request a copy in writing or in person from MassHealth Publications, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171. To view or download related supporting materials, go to www.mass.gov/eohhs/provider/contracting/chap257/proposed-regs-materials.html.



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EOHHS may adopt a revised version of the proposed actions taking into account relevant comments and any other practical alternatives that come to its attention.

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